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SUBJ: AMERICAN SPECIALIST

1. AS PART OF BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCES, BOTH THE BINATIONAL CENTER BOGOTA AND THE EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE (FULBRIGHT) COMMISSION WANT TO OBTAIN A VERY HIGH LEVEL AMERICAN SPECIALIST TO SPEAK ON EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE. THE BINATIONAL CENTER BOGOTA WILL INAUGURATE IS NEW CULTURAL PROGRAMSPACES-AUDITORIUM, MULTIMEDIA PROJECTION CENTER, RENOVATED LIBRARY AND GALLERY AROUND JULY 4, 1976, AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A PRESTIGIOUS PERSON TO DELIVER THE INAUGURAL RAMARKS. FOR SEVERAL YEARS, FURBRIGHT COMMISSION HAS SOUGHT TO PRESENT A HIGH LEVEL LECTURER SUCH AS A LINCOLN LECTURER TO A SPECIALLY INVITED AUDIENCE IN ORDER TO ENHACE AND PUBLICIZE THE TOTAL COMMISSION PROGRAM.

2. AFTER CONSULTATION WITH FULBRIGHT COMMISSION BOARD AND BNC DIRECTOR, THE POST CONCLUDES THAT THE IDEAL PERSON FOR BOTH PROJECTS WOULD BE FORMER SENATOR J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT. POST AWARE OF POSSIBLE TRAVEL IN THIS AREA BY THE SENATOR AND REQUESTS THAT CU/ARA ENQUIRE WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD ACCEPT AN AMERICAN SPECIALIST INVITATION FOR EARLY JULY 1976. THE EXACT DATES ARE ADJUSTABLE TO HIS CONVENIENCE. BOGOTA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR OPENS JULY 10, WITH EXTENSIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS PARTICIPATION. HE MAY WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL THREE EVENTS: BNC INAUGURATION,
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FULBRIGHT LECTURE, AND TRADE FAIR OPENING.

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